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FOREIGN AND INSULAR.

CANADA.

OTTAWA—Typhoid Fever Outbreak.

Information was received March 22 from the Department of State that the American consul general at Ottawa had reported an outbreak of typhoid fever at that place with more than 900 cases, of which 51 ended fatally. The outbreak began early in January. During the week ended March 21 there were reported 56 cases.

CHINA.

TSINGTAU—Precautions Against Plague.

Consul McNally reports February 11:

Tsingtau remains free from plague, the nearest reported case having occurred at Lantsun, 40 miles distant. Every case of sickness not properly diagnosed is investigated by the local physicians, and in case of sudden death the house in which the death occurred is surrounded by soldiers until a proper examination is made as to the nature of the illness which caused the death. Railway traffic has been almost entirely suspended and all boats arriving from the north having touched at infected ports are subject to five days' quarantine, including the period of the voyage. The chief difficulty which confronts the German authorities is the handling of the 20,000 returning Chinese who left Tsingtau to spend the Chinese new year with their families. Many of them will have passed through plague centers and it will be necessary to quarantine and maintain this number for the regulation period.

CUBA.

Transmissible Diseases.

The following report of transmissible diseases in the island of Cuba, issued by the national department of sanitation, was forwarded March 21 by Acting Assistant Surgeon Villoldo at Habana:

February 18-28, 1911.

	New cases.	Deaths.	Remain- ing under treat- ment.
Tuberculosis.....	32	68	2,448
Leprosy.....	3	1	346
Malaria.....	28	4	173
Typhoid fever.....	16	3	66
Diphtheria.....	22	4	27
Scarlet fever.....	18	2	30
Measles.....	153	1	386
Varicella.....	17		31
Tetanus in the new born.....	4	4	1
Filariasis.....			1
Dengue.....			1
Typhus fever.....	1		1

No quarantinable diseases were reported in the island during the week ended March 18.